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In re Application of: TAMADA, Teruo et al Group Art Unit: 3683
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office's Non-Final Office Action dated December 9, 2004, the Applicant has timely enclosed herein: 6 pages Office Action Response, and certified copies of Japanese Application Number 2002-319160 filed on October 31, 2002, Japanese Application Number 2002-319161 filed on October 31, 2002, Japanese Application Number 2002-319162 filed on October 31, 2002, Japanese Application Number 2002-319163 filed on October 31, 2002, Japanese Application Number 2003-025254 filed on January 31, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-025255 filed on January 31, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-025256 filed on January 31, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-025257 filed on January 31, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-025258 filed on January 31, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-054856 filed on February 28, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-054857 filed on February 28, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-054858

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filed on February 28, 2003, Japanese Application Number 2003-097349 filed on March 31, 2003, and Japanese Application Number 2003-135249 filed on May 14, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

[X] DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.